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DETACHMENT H

STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE

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H-50-4. This SOP supercedes H-50-4 dated 13 December 1968 and H-50-30 dated 13 December 1968.

EVALUATION CHECKS

- 25X1C 1. PURPOSE: To establish the requirements and procedures for administering Evaluation Checks to [REDACTED] Mission Pilots assigned to this Detachment.
2. SCOPE: The provisions of this SOP are applicable to all [REDACTED] Mission Pilots regardless of status. 25X1C
3. RESPONSIBILITY: The Director of Operations is responsible for insuring that the provisions of this SOP are complied with.
4. GENERAL:
- a. Evaluation Checks will be administered by a qualified U-2 Instructor Pilot (except as noted in Para 5c.)
  - b. An Evaluation Check will be accomplished prior to initial upgrading to Operational Ready Pilot status at this Detachment and at least every twelve (12) months thereafter.
  - c. A formal record of each evaluation check will be maintained in the Pilots Training Folder for future reference.
5. PROCEDURES: The Evaluation Check will be scheduled and administered on a high altitude flight of at least 3+00 hours duration. The check will consist of three (3) phases:
- a. PRE-FLIGHT PHASE: Consists of oral and written questions administered by the Instructor Pilot.
    - (1) Aircraft Questionnaires (written)
    - (2) Emergency Exam (written)
    - (3) Systems Questions (oral)
    - (4) Configuration Questions (oral)
    - (5) Tactical Doctrine Questions (oral)
  - b. FLIGHT PHASE: Monitored by the Instructor Pilot. Special emphasis is placed on adherence to the checklist and published procedures during the following portions of the flight.
    - (1) Briefing
    - (2) Life Support
    - (3) Cockpit Check

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- (4) Engine Start
- (5) Before Take-off
- (6) Take-off and Climb
- (7) In-flight
- (8) Let-down and Recovery
- (9) Debriefing

c. POST FLIGHT PHASE: Consists of a review of the mission by the following personnel:

- (1) Navigation Section
- (2) Intelligence Section
- (3) Applicable Configuration Section
- (4) Evaluation Board (Para 6 below)

6. EVALUATION BOARD:

- a. An Evaluation Board will be convened within five (5) working days following the completion of each Initial or Annual Evaluation Check.
- b. The Detachment Commander shall function as the Chairman of each Evaluation Board.
- c. The Evaluation Board shall consist of the following personnel:

- (1) Manager
- (2) [REDACTED] Commander
- (3) Director of Operations
- (4) U-2 Instructor Pilot
- (5) [REDACTED] Operations Officer
- (6) [REDACTED] Flight Planner

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- d. The Manager and [REDACTED] Commander will review the results of the Flying Evaluation Check and determine the category status of the Mission Pilot whose proficiency is being reviewed.

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- e. Should an evaluation of other than Operational Ready Pilot status be made for any pilot as a result of Evaluation Board action, the Manager, with the assistance of the [REDACTED] Commander, Operations Officer and Instructor Pilot will determine what additional training shall be accomplished prior to further evaluation action.

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- f. Upon completion of Evaluation Board review, the Manager shall annotate the Pilot Evaluation Checklist Form with the appropriate assigned category status and sign the form as final evaluation check action.



✓ Detachment Commander

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